

## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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Mr. William Vanderbrook, Treasurer David Vitter for U.S. Senate 2900 Clearview Parkway, Suite 206 Metairie, LA 70006

RE: RR 17L-22

Dear Mr. Vanderbrook:

The Federal Election Commission ("Commission") has ascertained information in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities indicating that David Vitter for U.S. Senate and you, in your official capacity as treasurer (the "Committee"), may have violated the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended (the "Act"). The matter has been referred by the Reports Analysis Division to the Commission's Office of General Counsel for possible enforcement action under 52 U.S.C. § 30109. Specifically, the Committee has been referred for receiving 2016 General Election contributions from seventy-eight (78) individuals, two (2) limited liability companies, forty (40) multicandidate political action committees, and one (1) non-multicandidate political action committee that were not refunded or redesignated within the permissible timeframe from the date David B. Vitter withdrew from the 2016 Louisiana Primary Election. The contributions total \$237,650.00 as disclosed on the 2012 Year-End, 2013 April Quarterly, 2013 July Quarterly, 2013 October Quarterly, 2013 Year-End, 2014 April Quarterly, 2014 July Quarterly, 2014 October Quarterly, 2014 Year-End, 2015 April Quarterly, 2015 July Quarterly, 2015 October Quarterly, and 2015 Year-End Reports. For further information, a copy of the referral document is enclosed. We have numbered this referral RR 17L-22.

The Act affords you the opportunity to demonstrate in writing that no action should be taken against the Committee in this matter. If you wish to file a response, you may submit any factual or legal materials that you believe are relevant to the Commission's consideration of this matter. Where appropriate, statements should be submitted under oath by persons with relevant knowledge. Your response, which should be addressed to the General Counsel's Office, must be submitted within 15 days of receipt of this letter. If no response is received within 15 days, the Commission may take further action based on the available information.

Notification of this referral is being provided to you pursuant to the Commission's Agency Procedure for Notice to Respondents in Non-Complaint Generated Matters, as published in the Federal Register on August 4, 2009 (74 Fed. Reg. 38,617).

If you intend to be represented by counsel in this matter, please advise the Commission by completing the enclosed form stating the name, address, and telephone number of such counsel, and authorizing such counsel to receive any notifications and other communications from the Commission. Please note that you have a legal obligation to preserve all documents, records, and materials relating to the subject matter of the referral until such time as you are notified that the Commission has closed its file in this matter. See 18 U.S.C. § 1519.

Any correspondence sent to the Commission, such as a response, must be addressed to **one** of the following (note, if submitting via email, this Office will provide an electronic receipt by email):

Mail

OR

Email CELA@fec.gov

Federal Election Commission Office of Complaints Examination and Legal Administration Attn: Christal Dennis, Paralegal 1050 First Street, NW

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If you have any questions, please contact Christal Dennis at (202) 694-1650 or toll free at 1-800-424-9530. For your information, we have enclosed a brief description of the Commission's preliminary procedures for processing possible violations discovered by the Commission.

Sincerely,

Jeff S. Jordan

Assistant General Counsel Complaints Examination & Legal Administration